

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph:

[0017] Guidance gaps 65 and 67, which serve to guide the pistons in a sliding fashion and through which a ~~coupler volume in~~ booster chamber 72 is filled with fuel, are embodied in the region of the cylindrical outer surface of the outer piston (in relation to a housing not shown) and in the region of the reciprocal sliding guidance between the two pistons.

On page 12, please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following amended Abstract:

A fuel injection apparatus for supplying fuel to an injection valve from a high pressure line includes a control valve controlling pressure in a control chamber connected to the line and an actuator for moving a valve member to actuate via a hydraulic coupler having two pistons acting on a ~~coupler volume~~ booster chamber, the seat of the valve member having ~~an a~~ a cross-sectional area  $f_3$ . The booster chamber being filled for filling the ~~coupler volume~~ with pressurized fuel via guidance gaps of the pistons. The pistons are guided one inside the other and ~~a the~~ the booster chamber is located at the ends of the pistons ~~is~~ oriented toward the actuator. A filling chamber inside the outer piston is connected to the line and one piston having a cross-sectional area  $f_4$  is mechanically coupled to the actuator by a rod with a cross-sectional area  $f_5$ ; the other piston has a piston area  $f_2$ , and actuates the control valve via a second rod having a cross-sectional area  $f_1$  smaller than  $f_2$ . The direction of the opening movement of the valve member coincides with the direction of fuel flowing out of the control chamber so that the control valve is at least partially force-balanced due to the pressure acting on the additional piston in the booster chamber.